Dates To Remember

Jan. 15	Spirituality Group – 7:30 p.m. (Campbell Room)
17	Session – 7:30 p.m. (Fleck Hall)
19	Tai Chi resumes – 10:30 a.m. (Fleck Hall)
21	Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton – vacation January 18 - 31
	Guest Minister: Rev. David McKane - January 21 & 28
	Food Bank Sunday

NOTE: Some of these dates and times are subject to change.

Presbyterians Sharing is helping to transform the lives of people in Montreal's Little Burgundy neighbourhood. The statistics for Little Burgundy are grim: 2/3 of children and youth live below the poverty line and 32% of students drop out before finishing high school. But Tyndale St.-Georges Community Centre is helping provide community members with the tools they need to realize their dreams, at every life stage. Tyndale's employment programs not only teach job search techniques, but also build self-esteem and life skills. Jane shares, "I came to Tyndale during the lowest time in my life, and I decided to give it a shot. I was looking for something to bring back my self-confidence that would enable me to go back to the workforce. And Tyndale delivered exactly what I was looking for. And now I'm strong, I'm back again, and I'm ready to go back to work!"
Presbyterians Sharing helps people transform their lives and realize their dreams

Presbyterian Prayer Partnership – Give thanks for Presbyterians across Canada who faithfully support the ministries made possible through *Presbyterian Sharing*.

Information concerning the various groups within the congregation may be obtained by calling the church office.

*Bible Study * Board of Managers * Centering Prayer * Choir*
*Christian Education * Dream Group * Elmwood Ladies Fellowship*
*Library Committee * Men's Fellowship * Mission * Pastoral Care Quilters*
*Session * Spirituality Group * Stewardship and Outreach * Work & Worship*

OUR PURPOSE

Our mission as a congregation, with the Holy Spirit as our guide, is to share the good news of Jesus Christ in the world, and to fulfill our responsibilities to God and our neighbours.

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Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Monday – Friday

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ELMWOOD AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Community Caring Christ

Sunday, January 14, 2018

the Baptism of our Lord

Minister: Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton
Director of Music: Lorraine Clark, A. Mus., B.Mus., B.Ed.
Organist Emeritus: Bert Van der Hoek, ARCCO

*If able, please stand where indicated with an * asterisk.*

Organ Prelude: Pastorale *Charles Wesley*

Words of Welcome and Announcements

We Gather To Worship God

Lighting of the Worship Candle

*Congregational Introit: Holy, holy, holy (verse 1) # 299

*Call to Worship

*Hymn: **Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult** **# 672**

Prayer of Adoration and Confession
M: Lord, have mercy upon us
P: Christ, have mercy upon us
M: Lord, have mercy upon us

Prayer for the Day

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace
M: The Peace of Christ be with you all
P: And also with you

Children's Time

*Hymn: **Jesus loves me, this I know** **# 373**

Choir Anthem: Lead Me Lord *S.S. Wesley*

Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading: **I Samuel 3:1-10** (pgs. 288-r, 263-w, 215-NRSV)

Responsive Psalm: **139:1-18** (Refrain I)

***Gloria Patri Hymn** # 594

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen

Scripture Readings: **I Corinthians 6:12-20** (pgs. 1226-r, 1108-w, 929-NRSV)
St. John 1:43-51 (pgs. 1138-r, 1028-w, 863-NRSV)

M: This is the Gospel of our Risen Lord,
P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Sermon

We Respond in Faith and Service

*Hymn: **Lord, speak to me** **# 767**

*The Apostles' Creed (see front cover of the Book of Praise)

Prayer of Intercession
M: Lord, in your mercy
P: Hear our prayer

The Lord's Prayer (debts)

Offering of our Gifts in Response

Organ Offertory: March *J.S. Bach*

*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow # 830

*Prayer of Dedication

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

*Hymn for Communion: **Jesus calls us here to meet him** **# 528**

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving # 564

Sanctus, Mystery of Faith (sung responses - see insert)

The Lord's Prayer (debts)

Breaking of the Bread & Elevation of the Cup

Lamb of God (sung responses - see insert)

Distribution of the Elements

Post Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

*****Hymn: **I heard the voice of Jesus say** **# 671**

*Commissioning and Benediction

*Choral Amen (congregation)

Organ Postlude: Toccata Pontificale *Gordon Young*

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

❖**Supervised Play Area** for children aged 0 – 7 yrs. during the worship service. An usher can direct you there.

❖**Sacrament of Holy Communion - Please sign in –** All those baptized into Christ's Church are invited to the Lord's Table. We ask that you sign the attendance cards located in the pews.
Session relies on these cards to maintain accurate records. Thank you.
Communion Wine: Wine is available in the inner rings of the trays. The grape juice is the outer ring.

❖**Vacation** – Rev. Dr. Andrew Fullerton will be taking some vacation time January 18 through 31.
Pulpit: Rev. David McKane will be the guest minister January 21 & 28.
Pastoral Care: please contact Rev. Dr. David Thompson (New St. James Presbyterian) 519-434-1127 or email minister@newstjames.com. You can also contact our church office and leave a message for Dr. Thompson.

❖**2017 Annual Report –** The completed written and financial forms for groups/committees are due **no later than January 15, 2018.** Thank you!

❖**Annual Meeting** will take place on **February 11th** following the worship service with a lunch hosted by Session. Please plan to attend.

❖**Next Sunday, January 21 is Food Bank Sunday** - Please leave your donations in the basket located in the Narthex.

❖**Used Postage Stamps –** The Canadian Bible Society collects used stamps for income to support their work. Just cut them out with a half-inch border and leave in the white box in the foyer of our EAST door.

❖**Listen Again:** You can hear recordings of the latest sermons on our website. Visit www.elmwoodchurch.ca/media

Welcome Visitors! - *Thank you for worshipping with us today, at Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Church. You have enriched our community and we hope the service held meaning and beauty for you.* ***Please feel free to remain after the worship service for Coffee Hour in Fleck Hall.*** *You may wish to visit us on the web at www.elmwoodchurch.ca to learn more about us and what opportunities are available for personal spiritual growth and service to others. If you are not an involved member of a faith community, but seeking one, we invite you to return here any Sunday for worship and fellowship.*

If you would like to speak to the minister, or have him visit, you are very welcome to be in touch with him. Please contact the church office 519-438-3492

Stewardship Moment – Unless we learn how to humbly tell each other our giving stories, our churches will not learn to give.
Randy Alcorn, minister and author